

Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (51-4031)

Occupation description: Set up, operate, or tend machines to saw, cut, shear, slit, punch, crimp, notch, bend, or straighten metal or plastic material.

Employment and Job Openings

	Average employment			Average annual openings		
	2010 estimate	2020 projection	Percent change	Growth	Replacement	Total
Alaska	28	31	10.7	0	0	1
United States	183,900	188,500	2.4	460	1,360	1,820

Job outlook

Alaska: Alaska's employment growth is moderate with low employment opportunities. [Read more.](#)

2013 Wages ?

	Mean Wage and 95% Confidence Interval			Wage by Percentile		
	Low	Mean	High	10th	Median	90th
United States	n/a	15.15	n/a	9.58	14.40	21.92

Labor Force Indicators

2012 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
56	6	10.7	35.8	26.4

2012 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	8
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	1
UI claimants previously working in occupation	5

2012 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	51
Number of job position postings	2
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	25.5

Typical Entry-level Education, Experience, and/or On-the-job Training

Education: High school diploma or equivalent

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: Moderate-term on-the-job training

Training Resources

		Degree
ABC of Alaska		
Sheet Metal Worker		
		Degree
Beacon OHSS		
Energy Isolation (NSTC and OSHA Offered)		
		Degree
Sheet Metal Workers Local Union #23		
Service Worker Apprenticeship		Certificate
Sheet Metal Worker Apprenticeship		Certificate

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